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STOCKS ARE LOWER

NEW YORK MARKET UNFAVORABLY AFFECTED BY VARIOUS RUMORS.

Railway Shares Hammered Down by the Bears Towards the Close-Trade at Indianapolis Improving.

At New York yesterday money on call was easy at 11/2021/2 per cent., the last loan being made at 2; closing offered at 11/4/02

per cent. Prime mercantile paper, 3% 65 per cent. Sterling exchange dull, with acutal busfness in bankers' bills at \$4.89@4.89% for demand and \$4.87%@4.88 for sixty days; posted rates, \$4.881/2 and \$4.891/204.90; commercial bills, \$4.87.

Bar silver closed at 671/sc. Certificates, 6714@6714c. At London bar silver closed at 30 11-16d.

The total stock sales on the New York exchange yesterday were 201,441 shares, including the following: American Sugar, 57,-300; American Tobacco, 21,600; Atchison, 10,-600; Burlington, 12,200; Chicago Gas, 12,600; Louisville & Nashville, 5,600; North American Company, 4,300; Pacific Mail, 7,400; Reading, 4,900; Rock Island, 7,200; St. Paul, 9,700; United States Leather preferred, 7,-200; Western Union, 8,500.

The stock market, with hardly an exception, worked lower yesterday. The volume of business was considerably lighter than on Tuesday. The dealings in Sugar stock were only about half as large as yesterday, but constituted about one-third of the total. Early in the day general advances in foreign and domestic grades of sugars served as an argument to bull the stock and a gain of 2 per cent. was recorded in it. At the top figures realizing sales were encountered and unfavorable rumors were current in regard to probable legal attacks on the company in this and other States. In the afternoon the rumors crystallized into the serving of papers on the secretary and treasurer of the company in a suit to restrain it from doing business in the State of New York. The street regarded the movement as largely specu-lative in character. The stock was practically unaffected by the news and left off at a net gain of 1 per cent., being sustained by expectations that the regular quarterly dividends on the preferred and common stocks will be declared to-morrow. Rumors were current of hostile proceedings to be brought in Massachusetts. The general market was adversely affected by foreign selling of the international shares, by disappointing exhibits of railroad earnings and by expectations that a fairly large amount of gold would be shipped to Europe at the end of the week. Ac-tivity was greatest in the industrials and grangers. The last-mentioned group was lepressed on the publication of the Rock sland earnings for the month of November, showing an increase in gross of only a little over \$5,000. The St. Paul exhibit for

the same month, presenting an increase of \$397,674, failed to stimulate its market price. Trading was fairly brisk at the open ing, the trend of prices being downward.

The grangers and Louisville & Nashville were chiefly depressed in the railroads. In the industrials Tobacco was under the hammer and broke almost 2 per cent., while Rubber, Leather preferred and Chicago Gas yielded sharply. Sugar reacted about 1 per cent. on the influences noted of this article. There was little of interest in the afternoon speculation, the market ruling quiet and com-paratively steady until the last hour, when the bears became more agressive and caused declines in the railway list to the lowest of the day. Baltimore & Ohio was conspicuous in the final dealings by a break of 5% per cent. The slump was attributed to unfavorable rumors as to the extent of the company's floating debt. The was quiet and heavy at the lowest of the day and a sharp concession in some instances. The only notable exception to the general losses aside from Sugar was Consolidated Gas, which made a gain of 1% per cent. Railroad bonds were moderately active

and firm in tone despite some irregularity in prices. Concessions as a rule were only made in the inactive class. The sales were \$1,333,000. Government bonds were irregular. State nds were inactive. The following table, prepared by James E. Berry, Room 16, Board of Trade, shows the

Adams Express...... 148

Alton & T. Haute....

New York Central....

S. Express......10034 105

Western Union 87% 87% 86%

rs, reg......

Pullman Palace

.. St. L. & P. pref .. 19

range of quotations:

American Express.... 171/8 171/8 163/8 163/8 163/8 163/8 163/8 SW. 61/2c; Shetucket F. 7c; Swift River, 51/2c. Kidfinished Cambrics—Edwards, 4c; War-Canada Pacific...... ren, 3c3; Slater, 4c; Genesee, 4c. Grain Bags-Amoskeag, \$11.50; American, \$11.50; Franklinville, \$13.50; Harmony, \$11; Chicago & Alton..... 158 C., B. & Q...... 83% 83% 82% 82% Stark, \$14.50. C. & E. I. pref...... 614 6518 Alcohol, \$2,51@2.55; asafetida 30@35c; alum. 214@4c; camphor, 65@70c; cochineal, 50@55c C., C., C. & St. L..... chloroform, 60066; copperas, bris, cream tartar, pure, 28030c; indigo, licorice, Calab., genuine, 30@40c; magnesia, carb., 2-oz. 25@35c; morphine, P. & W., per oz., \$1.75@2; madder, 14@16c; oil, castor, per gal., 96c@\$1; oil, bergamot, per lb, \$2.75; opium, \$2; quinine, P. & W., per oz., 35@ 40c; balsam copaiba, 50@55c; soap, castile, Fr., 12@16c; soda, bicarb., 4½@6c; salts, Epsom, 4@5c; sulphur, flour, 5@6c; saltpeter. Fort Wayne..... Great Northern pref locking Valley..... 8@20c; turpentine, 32@38c; glycerine, 1614@ 20c; iodide potassium, \$3@3.10; bromide potasinois Central..... sium, 45647c; chlorate potash, 29c; borax, 12 @14c; cinchonidia, 12615c; carbolic acid, 226 E. & W. pref Oils-Linseed, 40@42c per gal; coil oil, legal test, 7@14c; bank, 40c; best straits, 50c; Labrador, 60c; West Virginia lubricating, 20@30c; miners', 45c; iard oils, winter-strained, in brls, 60c per gal; in half brls, Michigan Central..... Missouri Pacific...... 29% 30 3c per gal extra. S. Cordage pref.... New Jersey Central... 1951/

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Straight grades, \$3.50@3.75; fancy grades, \$4@4.25; patent flour, \$4.25@4.75; low grades, Sugars-Cut loaf, 5.25c; dominoes, 5.25c crushed, 5.25c; powdered, 4.87c; granulated, 4.62c; coarse granulated, 4.75c; fine granulated, 4.62c; extra fine granulated, 4.75c; cubes, 4.87c; XXXX powdered, 5c; mold A. 4.87c; diamond A. 4.62c; confectioners' A. 4.37c; Columbia confectioners' A, 4.37c; Columbia A, 4.37c; Windsor A, 4.37c; Ridgewood A, 4.37c; Phoenix A, 4.31c; Empire A, 4.18c; Ideal ex. C, 4.12c; Windsor ex. C. 4c; Ridgewood ex. C, 4c; yellow ex. C, 3.94c; yellow C, 3.87c; yellow 3, 3.75c; yellow 4, 3.62c. Coffee — Good. 19620c; prime, 20420c; strictly prime, 226234c; fancy green and yellow, 2442625c; Java, 28632c. Roasted—Old zovernment Java, 336334c; golden Rio, 254c; Bourbon Santos, 254c; Gilded Santos, 254c; prime Santos, 242c; Cottage

blended, 2214c; Capital blended, 2114c; Pilot, 22c; Dakota, 20c; Brazil, 194c; Puritan, 1-lb S. Fours, new, reg. 1204 Salt in car lots, 90@95c; small lots, \$1@1.65. Spices — Pepper, 10@18c; allspice, 10@15c; cloves, 15@20c; cassia, 13@15c; nutmegs, 65@ Doubleday, Rope & Co., of Colorado Eprings, Col., give the following quotations: Flour Sacks (paper)—Plain, 1-32 brl, per 1,000, \$3.50; 1-16 brl, \$5; 36 brl, \$8; 36 brl, \$16; No. 2 drab, plain, 1-32 brl, per 1,000, \$4.25; 1-16 brl, \$6.50; 36 brl, \$10; 36 brl, \$20; No. 1, cream, plain, 1-32 brl, per 1,000, \$7; 1-16 brl, \$8.75; 36 brl, \$14.50; 34 brl, \$23.50. Extra shot-\$1.30@1.35 per bag for drop. Lead-61/207c for pressed bars. At New York-Clearings, \$115,656,730; bal-

MINING SHARES.

Yesterday's Bank Clearings.

At Cincinnati-Clearings, \$2,330,300.

LOCAL GRAIN AND PRODUCE.

A Better Day in Trade Circles, with

The conditions for trade were better yes-

Few Changes in Prices.

terday. The excitement over the big fire

had subsided somewhat and the weather

conditions were more favorable to tran-

sacting business. The dry goods houses,

the wholesale grocers and boot and shoe

men had a very fair trade and the leather

dealers reported matters to be improving.

Still, prices have a downward tendency in

the leather line. The iron dealers are hav-

ing a good trade, but business with the

quently prices carry a steady tone, but the

demand is a little slow. In other markets there is nothing calling for special note.

The local grain market is tame. Dealers

Wheat-No. 2 red, 63c; No. 3 red, 591/2/061c

Wagon wheat, 62c.

Corn—No. 1 white, 26½c; No. 2 white, 26½c; No. 3 white, 26½c; No. 2 white mixed, 27c; No. 3 white mixed, 27c; No. 2 yellow, 26½c; No. 3 yellow, 26½c; No. 2 mixed, 26c; No. 3 mixed, 26c; ear corn, 26c.

Oats—No. 2 white, 21½c; new No. 3 white, 20½c; No. 3 mixed, 19½c; new No. 3 mixed, 18½c.

Hay-No. 1 timothy, \$14@15; No. 2, \$11@12;

Poultry and Other Produce.

(Prices paid by shippers.)
Poultry—Hens, 5c; springs, 51/2c; cocks,

Butter-Choice country, 8@12c. Eggs-Candled, shippers paying 18c.

Honey-New, 15@18c per pound.

Beeswax-20c for yellow; 15c for dark.

Wool-Medium unwashed, 14c; fine merino

unwashed, 10c; tubwashed, 20@23c; burry

Feathers-Prime geese, 30@32c per 1b mixed duck, 20c per 1b.

Game.

HIDES, TALLOW, ETC.

Green-salted Hides—No. 1, 51/2c; No. 2, 43/4c; No. 1 calf, 61/2c; No. 2 calf, 5c.

Green Hides—No. 1, 4c: No. 2, 3c; No. 1 calf, 51/2c: No. 2 calf, 4c.

Grease—White, 3%c; yellow, 3c; brown, 3c, Tallow—No. 1, 3%c; No. 3, 3%c. Bones—Dry, \$12@13 per ton.

THE JOBBING TRADE.

Candles and Nuts.

Candies-Stick, 6c per lb; common mixed, 6c; G. A. R. mixed, 8½c; Banner stick, 10c; cream mixed, 9c; old-time mixed, 7c.

Nuts-Soft-shelled almonds, 12@16c; English walnuts, 12c; Brazil nuts, 10c; filberts,

lic; peanuts, roasted, 6@7c; mixed nuts,

Canned Goods.

Peaches—Standard 3-pound, \$1.50@1.75; 3-pound seconds, \$1.20@1.40; 3-pound pie, 85@ 90c; California standard, \$1.75@2; California

seconds, \$1.40@1.50. Miscellaneous—Black-berries, 2-pound, 85@90c; raspberries, 2-

pound, 90@95c; pineapple, standard, 2-pound, \$1.25@1.35; choice, \$2@2.50; cove oysters, 1-pound, full weight, 90@95c; light, 60@65c; 2-pound, full weight, \$1.60@1.70; light, \$1.10@

1.20; string beans, 75@85c; Lima beans, \$1.10 @1.20; peas, marrowfat, 90c@\$1.10; early

June, 90c@\$1.10; lobsters, \$1.85@2; red cher-

Coal and Coke.

coke, \$3 per 25 bu; lump coke, \$2.50; foundry coke, \$6 per ton.

Dried Fruits.

Prunes—California, 6@10c per lb. Currants—4½@5c per lb. Peaches—Common sun-dried, 8@10c per lb; California, 10@12c; California fancy, 12½@

Raisins-Loose Muscatels. \$1.25@1.40 per box; London layer, \$1.35@1.75 per box; Va-

Dry Goods.

Bleached Sheetings-Androscoggin L. 74c

Brown Sheetings—Atlantic A, 61/2c; Argyle, 51/2e; Boott C, 5c; Buck's Head, 61/2c; Clifton CCC, 6c; Constitution, 40-inch, 61/2c; Car-

lisie, 40-inch, 7½c; Dwight Star, 7¾c; Great Falls E, 6c; Great Falls J, 5c; Hill Fine, 7½c; Indian Head, 6½c; Lawrence LL,

5c; Pepperell E, 61/2c; repperell R, 6c; Pepperell, 9-4, 17c; Androscoggin, 9-4, 18c; Androscoggin, 10-4, 20c.

Prints-Allen dress styles, 5c; Allen's

Ginghams—Amoskeag staples, 5½c; Amoskeag Persian dress, 6c; Bates Warwick dress, 6c; Johnson BF fancy, 8½c; Lancaster, 5½c; Lancaster Normandies, 6c; Car-

rollton, 4%c; Renfrew dress, 61/2c; Whittenton Heather, 6c; Calcutta dress styles, 51/2c.

Tickings—Amoskeag ACA, 11½c; Conestoga, BF, 12½c; Cordis 140, 9½c; Cordis FT, 10c; Cordis ACE, 11½c; Hamilton awnings, 9c; Kimono fancy, 17c; Lenox fancy, 18c; Metheun AA, 10c; Oakland AF, 5½c; Portsmouth, 11c; Susquehanna, 13c; Shetucket

54e; Simpson's mournings, 54e.

Figs-Layer, new, 15c.

Apricots-Evaporated, 9@13c.

lencia, 61/4081/2c per lb; layer, 9@10c.

(The quotations given below are the sell-

ing prices of the wholesale dealers.)

and unmerchantable, 5c less.

wagon wheat, 62c.

No. 1 prairie, \$9@10.

Rabbits-50@60c.

Ducks, \$2.25@2.50.

Quail. \$1.25.

ances, \$472,271.

Molasses and Syrups-New Orleans moasses, fair to prime, 20@30c; choice, 35@40c; At Boston-Clearings, \$18,951,823; balances, syrups, 20@30c.

Beans—Choice hand-picked navy, \$1.40@
1.50 per bu; medium hand-picked, \$1.35@1.40;
limas, California. 5@5½c per lb.

Wood Dishes—No. 1, per 1,000, \$2.50; No.
2, \$3; No. 3, \$3.50; No. 5, \$4.50.

Woodenware—No. 1 tubs, \$6@6.25; No. 2 tubs, \$5.25@5.50; No. 3 tubs, \$4.25@4.50; 3-hoop pails, \$1.40@1.50; 2-hoop pails, \$1.15@1.20; double washboards, \$2.25@2.75; common washboards, \$1.25@2.50; clothes pins, 40@65c per box. At Baltimore-Clearings, \$2,445,002; bal-At Chicago-Clearings, \$18,730,000. Money steady at 50512 per cent. on call; 6061/2 on At Philadelphia-Clearings, \$15,478,184; bal-ances, \$2,200,566.

Twine-Hemp. 12@18c per lb; wool, 8@10c; flax, 20@30c; paper, 15c; jute, 12@15c; cotton, Rice-Louisiana, 4@5c; Carolina, 4%@6%c. Iron and Steel.

Bar iron, 1.60@1.90c; horseshoe bar, 21/26 2%c; nail rod, 7c; plow slabs, 2%c; American cast steel, 9@11c; tire steel, 24@3c; spring steel, 41/2/25c.

Leather. Leather-Oak sole, 30@35c; hemlock sole, 5631c; harness, 31640c; skirting, 34641c; single strap, 44c; black bridle, per doz, \$706 75; fair bridle, \$80@90 per doz; city kip, 60@ 75c; French kip, 90c@\$1.20; city calfskins, 90c @\$1.10; French calfskins, \$1.20@2.

hardware men for the last few days has Nails and Horseshoes. been quiet. The bottom is seemingly out of the hide market, prices yesterday breaking Steel cut mails, \$2.25; wire nails, \$2.50 rate. Horseshoes, per keg. \$3.75; mule shoes, per keg, \$4.75; horse nails, \$4'95 per box. Barb wire, galvanized, \$2.50; painted, \$2.20. from 1/2c to 1c, and the market is weak at those quotations. Receipts of poultry and eggs are not as heavy as last week, conse-Provisions.

14 to 16 lbs average, 6%c; 12 to 15 lbs average, 6%c; clear backs, 20 to 25 lbs average, 6%c; 12 to 20 lbs average, 6%c; 9 to 10 lbs average, and shippers are keeping close to the shore, and there are but slight changes in quotations. Track bids yesterday ruled as Breakfast Bacon-Clear firsts, 11c; sec-Lard-Kettle-rendered, in tierces, 7c; pure lard, 6%c. Shoulders-English-cured, 12 lbs average, 4c; 16 lbs average, 7%c. Pickled Pork—Bean pork, clear, per brl, Hams—Sugar-cured, 18 to 20 lbs average, 10%c; 16 lbs average, 10%c; 12 lbs average, 10%c; 10 lbs average, 10%c; 10 lbs average, 10c; block hams, 10%c; all first brands; seconds, %c less. California hams, sugar-cured, 10 to 12 lbs average, 7%c; boneless hams, sugar-cured, 8@8%c.

Dry-salted Meats—Clear sides, about 50 to 60 lbs average, 5%c; 25 to 40 lbs average 60 lbs average, 5%c; 35 to 40 lbs average, turkeys, old hens, 6c; old toms, 5c; young turkeys, 5½c; ducks, 6c; geese, \$4.80 per age, 5½c. Clear backs, 20 to 30 lbs average, 5½c; 16 to 18 lbs average. age, 5%c; 12 to 16 lbs average, 5%c.

> Produce, Fruits and Vegetables. Bananas-Per bunch, \$1@1.25. Cranberries, \$3 per box; \$8 per brl; fancy Cape Cod berry, \$3.50 per box; \$9 per brl. Cabbage-80c@\$1 per brl; sauer kraut, \$4 per brl. Cheese-New York full cream, 10@12c Lemons-Messina, choice, \$4 per fancy lemons, \$5.
> Apples—Choice, \$2.25 per brl; common, \$1.25@1.75 per brl; choice eating apples,

> Oranges—Jamaica, \$7.50@8 per brl.
> Onions—50@60c per bu.
> Potatoes—30@35c per bu.
> Celery—20@30c per bunch.
> Grapes—Malaga grapes, \$5.50@6 per keg.
> Sweet Potatoes—Kentucky, \$2.50 per brl;
> Cobden's \$3 per brl; Eastern Jerseys, \$4 per

Chestnuts—Per bu, \$4. Cider—New, \$4 per brl; \$2.25 per half brl. Cocoanuts—50c per doz. Seeds.

Clover-Choice recleaned, 60-lb, \$4.65@4.85; prime, \$4.50@4.65; English, choice, \$5@5.25; prime, \$4@4.50; alsike, choice, \$5@5.50; alfalfa, choice, \$4.25@5; crimson or scarlet clover, \$2.90@3; timothey, 45-lb, choice, \$2@2.10; strictly prime, \$2.15@2.20; fancy Kentucky, 14-lb, \$0c@\$1; extra clean, 65@70c. Orchard grass, extra, \$1.35@1.50; red top, choice, \$1@1.25; extra clean, 90c@\$1; English blue grass, 24-lb, \$1.85@2. Tinners' Supplies.

Best brand charcoal tin, IC, 19x14, 14x20, 12x12, \$5.5066; IX, 10x14, 14x20, 12x12, \$767.50; IC. 14x20, roofing tin, \$4.50@5; IC, 20x28, \$9@10; block tin in pigs, 19c; in bars, 20c. Iron—27 B iron, \$3.20; C iron, 3½c; galvanized, 70 per cent. discount. Sheet zinc, 6@6½c. Copper bottoms, 20c. Planisned copper, 20c.

REAL-ESTATE TRANSFERS.

ries, 90c@\$1; strawberries, 90@95c; salmon, 1-pound, \$1.10@2; 3-pound tomatoes, 70@85c. Twelve Transfers, with a Total Consideration of \$42,951. Instruments filed for record in the re-The following are the prices on coal and corder's office of Marion county, Indiana, Anthracite coal, \$6.50 per ton; Pittsburg lump, \$4; Brazil block, \$3; Winifrede lump. for the twenty-four hours ending at 5 p. m. Dec. 4, 1895, as furnished by Theo. Stein, \$4: Jackson lump, \$3.75: Green county lump, \$2.75; Paragon lump, \$2.50; Green county nut, \$2.50; Blossburg coal, \$4.50; crushed abstractor of titles, Hartford Block, No. 86 East Market street.

John M. Lassiter to Winfred B. Holton, part of lot 6, in Parker's subdivision of Butler's addition \$2,200 Maria S. Montani to William Muecke, part of lot 9, in Kinder's subdivi-James R. McCurdy to Wymond J.
Beckett et al., lot 29, in Miami Powder Company's addition, West In-Vymont J. Beckett et al. to Big Four Building Association, same lot. Lewis Wallace to George B. Yandes, part of lot 7, in square 23....... 20,000

Mary H. Witty to William A. Totten,
lots 56 and 57, in McCarty's third

West Side addition...... 2,900 Sarah F. Fesler to Frank B. McCullough and wife, lot 109, in McCarty's

Bleached Sheetings—Androscoggin L, 74c;
Berkeley, No. 60, 8c; Cabot, 7c; Capital, 6c;
Cumberland, 8c; Dwight Anchor, 8½c; Fruit
of the Loom, 8½c; Farwell, 7½c; Fitchville,
7c; Full Width, 6c; Gilt Edge, 5½c; Gilded
Age, 5½c; Hill, 8c; Hope, 7½c; Linwood,
7½c; Lonsdale, 8½c; Lonsdale cambric, 9½c;
Masonville, 8½c; Peabody, 6c; Pride of
the West, 11c; Quinebaugh, 6c; Star of the
Nation, 6¼c; Ten Strike, 5½c; Pepperell,
9-4, 19c; Pepperell, 10-4, 21c; Androscoggin,
9-4, 20c; Androscoggin, 16-4, 22c.
Brown Sheetings—Atlantic A, 6½c; Argyle subdivision of outlot 120......ohn C. Hamilton to Justus Goebel, lot 134, in Blake's subdivision of outlot 166 and 167..... Anna Tudor to Nellie Adams, lots 1 and 2, in subdivision of lot 44, of A. E. Fletcher's fourth Brookside addi-Thomas A. Winterowd to Willard W Hubbard, lot 16, in Morrison's addi-Marion H. Traylor to George F. Berg. Jane E. Seymour to Joseph W. Sel-

Bruce Place..... 1.200 Prints—Allen dress styles, 5c; Allen's staples, 4%c; Allen TR, 5c; Allen robes, 5c; American indigo, 5c; Arnold, LLC, 7c; Cocheco fancy, 5½c; Cocheco madders, 4%c; Hamilton fancy, 5½c; Manchester fancy, 5½c; Merrimac fancy, 5½c; Merrimac pinks and purples, 5½c; Pacific fancy, 5½c; Pacific robes, 5½c; Pacific fancy, 5½c; Pacific robes, 5½c; Pacific mournings, 5c; Simpson, 5½c; Simpson Berlin solids, 5½c; Simpson's oil finish, 6c; Simpson's grays, 5½c; Simpson's mournings, 5½c. Transfers, 12; consideration......\$42,951

vage and wife, part of lot 74, in

DAILY VITAL STATISTICS—DEC. 4. Deaths. Reuben Ross, seventy years, 65 Malott

Lloyd Gully, five years, 5 McCormick street, diphtheria. Oscar Jones, thirty-four years, 31 Kentucky avenue, typhoid pneumonia. Mary Arnett, eighty-four years, 9 Center Frank E. King, thirty-six years, 117 Blake street, typhoid fever. Walter Johnston, twelve years, 109 Cherry street, meningitis. Edward Erb, six months, 16 Carlos street, disorder of intestines.
Frederick C. Balander, five months, 29 Quince street, laryngitis.

Births. Albert and Mrs. Balz, city, boy. Harry and Mrs. Foxworthy, Oriental street, boy. George W. and Mary Tucker, 577 Massachusetts avenue, boy. Gottlob and Bertha Grueb, 292 East Louisiana street, boy. Charles D. and Alma Houston, 1,6 East

Michigan street, girl. Marriage Licenses. Thomas Vanable and Julia Milton. Moses Allen and Eliza B. Mills. rancis Fausset and Emma C. Wilson.

Henry Greiner and Anna Wools, William Wiese and Lena Kortic. Recorder's Quarterly Report. County Recorder Shilling yesterday filed his quarterly report ending Dec. 1 with the county auditor. The report shows the collection of \$5,035.80 in fees during the quarter. as his salary and turned over to the treasurer the sum of \$1,910.80. Out of the amount retained as salary the recorder must pay his entire office force. There were 1,607 deeds and 2,151 mortgages recorded during

the quarter. Public School Contributions. been received by Superintendent Goss. Of the amount \$100 has been turned over to the free kindergarten and the remainder will be held by Mr. Goss to be paid out for

shoes and clothing for needy pupils on the orders of the various principals of the

Building Permits. F. S. Bence, frame addition, 1001 West

CHICAGO GRAIN MARKETS RECOV-ERED QUICKLY AFTER A DECLINE.

All Closed Slightly Higher Yesterday than They Did Tuesday-Provisions Tending Downward.

CHICAGO, Dec. 4.-The grain markets were very weak during the greater part of to-day's session. The corn and oats markets were the first to be afflicted with the "falling sickness," and the contagion communicated itself to the wheat market. They were all in a state of cheerful convalescence as the session was coming to an end, and closed slightly higher than they did yesterday. The recovery was first apparent in wheat and that market lifted its head on account of the universal nature of the inquiry for red winter wheat held here, and what was made known near the close about the demand for flour at Minneapolis, which, it was said, was unprecedentedly heavy. Wheat started steady, and for about half an hour looked firm at about the level of the lowest point of yesterday's decline. After that it became very heavy and had a further decline of %c. The openand had a further decline of %c. The opening trades in May were at from 60% to 60%c, and, after fluctuating within 1-16c of those prices for half an hour, it began to yield slowly to the moderate pressure of local sellers, and worked gradually down to 60% 60%c without giving much evidence of recovery up to within fifteen minutes of the close. Closing cables gave Livernood up. close. Closing cables gave Liverpool un-altered from the first report and conti-nental markets a shade lower than they Bacon-Clear sides, 40 to 50 lbs average, 6½c; 30 to 40 lbs average, 6c; 20 to 30 lbs average, 6%c. Bellies, 25 lbs average, 6%c; closed yesterday. The cash demand for No. 2 corn was as conspicuous by its absence as on the day pefore, but there was a better demand for the low grades for shipment on account of small receipts. To-day's inspection showed only 167 cars received and only 160 cars are estimated for to-morrow. December opened at 25%c, and sold at 25%@25%c before

it declined to 251/2c. January, from 25%c near the start, was worth only 25%c during the greater part of the session until near the close, when it began to stiffen up a trifle. May started at 28%@28%c, sold at 28%c straight, then down to 28½@28%c, firmed up again to 28%c and closed at 28%. December recovered to and closed at December oats ranged from 16%c to 167 and closed at 16%c. May opened at 20@20%c, sold to 19%c, another record smasher, and closed at 19%@20c bid. yards. To-day's run of hogs was 44,000, and to-morrow's is estimated at 43,000.

Prices are all lower for the day. Pork shows a decline of 10c, and lard and ribs from .021/2@.05c. Lard never sold as low since war times. Estimated receipts for to-morrow: Wheat, 250 cars; corn, 160 cars; oats, 120 cars; hogs, 43,000 head. The leading futures ranged as follows:

Open- High- Low- Clos est. Articles. Wheat-Dec Corn-Dec July ***** Oats-Dec May \$7.70 8.70 9.10 Pork-Dec Jan May 9.021/2 Lard—Dec 5,15 Jan ... 5,371/2 May 5.60 Jan May 5.571/2 Ribs-Dec 4.371/2 Jan 4.571/2 Cash quotations were as follows: Flour

Cash quotations were as follows: Flour nominal. No. 2 spring wheat, 56@57c; No. 3 spring wheat, 55½@56½c; No. 2 red, 60@61c. No. 2 corn, 26@26¼c. No. 2 oats, 17¼c; No. 2 white, 17@17¼c; No. 3 white, 17¾@18c. No. 2 rye, 35½c. No. 2 barley nominal. No. 1 flaxseed, 92½c. Prime timothy seed, \$3.60. Mess pork, per brl, \$7.75@7.87½. Lard, per pound, 5.32½@5.35c. Short-rib sides (loose), 4.35@4.40c; dry-salted shoulders (boxed), 4½@4¾c; short clear-sides (boxed), 4½@64¾c; @4%c; short clear-sides (boxed), 4%@4%c. Whisky, distillers' finished goods, per gal, On the Produce Exchange to-day the but

ter market was firm; creameries, 18@24c dairies, 11@20c. Eggs firm at 13@25c.

Receipts—Flour, 15,000 bris; wheat, 325,000 bu; corn, 253,000 bu; oats, 386,000 bu; rye, 4,000 bu; barley, 87,000 bu. Shipments—Flour, 22,000 brls; wheat, 130,000 bu; corn, 79,000 bu; oats, 131,000 bu; rye, 2,000 bu; barley 104,000 bu;

AT NEW YORK.

Ruling Prices in Produce at the Seaboard's Commercial Metropolis. NEW YORK, Dec. 4. - Flour-Receipts 29,000 bris; exports, 36,700 bris; barely steady on winter grades and dull all around, with some export business pending at easier prices. Rye flour quiet. Buckwheat flour firm at \$1.35@1.40. Buckwheat quiet at 41½ Printing cloths were very quiet and nomi @42c. Cornmeal dull.

Rye dull. Barley and barley malt nominal. Wheat-Receipts, 246,700 bu; exports, 85,400 bu; spot dull at 68%c; No. 1 hard, 68%c; options opened quiet and steady, with no feature to the news, sold off under liberal spring wheat receipts, rallied on covering and closed steady at 1/40/4c net loss; May, 67 1-16/267 7-16c; December, 64/266/4c, closing

Corn-Receipts, 47,800 bu; exports, 199,000 bu. Spot quiet; No. 2, 34%c; steamer mixed, 34%c. Options opened steady on moderate local buying, ruled quiet all day without feature and closed partially %c lower; May, 351/6@351/4c, closing at 351/4c; December close at 34%c.

Oats—Receipts, 25,200 bu; exports, 200 bu, spot dull and weaker; No. 2, 221/20225/c. Options dull and about steady all day, closing unchanged to 1/3c lower; May, 24%@25c closing at 25c; December closed at 22%c. Hay steady. Hops quiet. Leather steady. Wool quiet. quiet. Hides nomina Beef quiet; cut meats dull; pickled shoulders, 505%c. Lard quiet; Western steam closed at 5.60c asked; December, 5.60c, nominal. Pork dull. Tallow quiet.

Coffee-Options opened steady at 10020 points' decline under foreign and local selimate of 3,500,000 bags Rio crop, and closed steady at net decline of 10@30 points. Sales, 24,250 bags, including March, 13.15@13.35c; December, 13.50@13.55c. Spot coffee—Rio dull; No. 7, 14%c. Mild dull; Cordova, 18@18%c. Warehouse deliveries from New York yes-terday, 6,604 bags. New York stock to-day, 265,612 bags; United States stock, 340,929 bags. Affoat for the United States, 190,000 bags. Total visible for the United States, 530,929 bags, against 539,930 bags last year. Sugar-Raw firmer; fair retining, 31/sc; cen trifugal, 96 test, 3½c; refined more active and higher; standard A, 4½c; cut loaf, 5½c; powdered, 4%c; granulated, 4%c.

TRADE IN GENERAL.

Quotations at St. Louis, Philadelphia, Baltimore and Other Points. ST. LOUIS, Dec. 4.-Wheat opened firm, with some demand, and then declined on free selling by longs, but later the market showed a stronger tone and closed strong Mr. and Mrs. Broughton, Jefferson ave- a shade better than yesterday. No. 2 red, cash, 631/2c; December, 57c; May, 61%c. Corn was about steady early, but acquired some strength later on liberal exports which caused a better inquiry for all options, the market closing a fraction better than yesterday; No. 2 mixed, cash, 241/20 December, 24%c; January, 23%c; May, 25%c Oats were lower early, but closed stronger cash, 17%c; May, 20c. Rye dull on call; No 2, 33c bid. Barley steady. Corn meal, \$1.2: @1.40. Flaxseed steady at 87c. Timoth seed, \$3@3,50. Hay firm and in fair demand prairie, \$769; timothy, \$8.50615, this side. Butter-Fancy table grades scarce and firm, separator creamery, 22@23c; fancy Elgin 26c; dairy, 16@18c. Eggs firm; fresh, 20c. Whisky, \$1.22. Cotton ties and bagging unhanged. Pork-Standard mess jobbing. 85 Lard-Prime steam, 5.15c; choice, 5.25c. Ba con-Boxed shoulders, 5.25c; longs, 5c; ribs, 5.124c; shorts, 5.25c. Dry-salted meats Boxed shoulders, 4.62%c; longs, 4.50c; ribs, 4.62%c; shorts, 4.75c. Receipts—Flour, 2,000 brls; wheat, 29,000 bu; corn, 16,000 bu; oats, The recorder retained \$3,125 of this amount 33,000 bu; corn, 46,000 bu; oats, 8,000 bu. BALTIMORE, Dec. 4 .- Flour dull; receipts 9,123 brls: shipments, 16,793 brls. Wheat dull; spot, 65\\(^4065\\^4c;\) month, 65\(^65\\^4c;\) steamer No. 2 red, 62\(^62\\^4c;\) receipts, 3,316 bu; Southern wheat on grade, 64\(^62\\^4c;\) year, Corn casy; spot and month, 33\(^623\\^4c;\) year, 32%@32%c; steamer mixed, 32@32%c; receipts, 157,917 bu; Southern white corn, 32@33c. Oats The children of the Indianapolis public firm; No. 2 white Western, 240241/2c; reschools contributed \$428.02 for the poor on Thanksgiving day. The full returns have freights steady, in fair demand and unfreights steady, in fair demand and unfreights steady. changed. Butter, eggs and cheese firm and DETROIT, Dec. 4.-Wheat rather firmer:

No. 1 white, 68c; No. 2 red, 65%c; May, 67%c bid. Corn—No. 2, 28%c. Oats—No. 2 white, 21%c; No. 2 mixed. 20c. Ryc—No. 2, 38%c. Clover seed, \$4.50. TOLEDO, Dec. 4.-Wheat dull; No. cash, 65c; December, 64%c; May, 67%c. Corn dull; No. 2 mixed, 27%c; May, 23%c; No. 3 mixed, 27c. Oats quiet; No. 2 mixed, 19c; No. 2 white, 21c. Rye dull; No. 2, cash, 38c. Clover seed dull and steady; prime, cash and

December, \$4.50. Receipts—Wheat, 8,500 bu; corn, 39,000 bu; oats, 5,600 bu; clover seed, 238 bags. Shipments—Flour, 1,000 brls; wheat, 10,300 bu; corn, 33,000 bu; oats, 5,000 bu; clover seed, 117 bags. CINCINNATI, Dec. 4. - Flour dull and weak. Wheat quiet; No. 2 red, 67c; receipts, 2,000 bu; shipments, 1,500 bu. Corn easier No. 2 mixed, 291/2c. Oats dull and easy; No. 2 mixed, 21c. Rye dull; No. 2, 42c. Lard dull at 5.20c. Bulk meats steady at 4.50c. Bacon steady at 5.75c. Whisky steady; sales, 462 bris at \$1.22. Butter firm. Sugar firm and

active. Eggs firm at 18c. Cheese steady.

BOSTON, Dec. 4.-The American Wool and Cotton Reporter will say to-morrow of the wool trade; Notwithstanding the occurrence of the annual Thanksgiving holiday, which is usually equivalent to two days' interruption of the course of such trade as might otherwise be available insuch period, the sales in the three principa: markets have amounted in total to 6,463,100 pounds, of which 594,900 pounds was domestic wool, including a fair proportion of medium and pulled. Friday's and Monday's caples indicate that prices in London are very firm. If the finer grades of Australian combing and clothing were in supply here they could not be sold at a profit at pres-ent quotations. The position of the do-mestic wool market is, from most points or view, reasonably strong. The situation in the goods market presents no new feature, and nothing more definite can be predicted concerning the outlook for the season, whose advent we are awaiting, than was possible a week ago. The "cables" last week, on the whole, occasioned an agreeable disappointment to at least one-third of the trade here, and on Friday the foundation was laid for considerably more trade than had appeared possible for a fortnight anterior to the opening of the November-December London series. The sales of the week have amounted to 2,371,000 pounds, of which 1,293,000 pounds were domestic and 1,078,000 pounds foreign wool. The sales since January, 1895, have amounted to 189,-701,690 pounds, against 137,998,785 a year ago.

Metals.

NEW YORK, Dec. 4.—The Iron Age will to-morrow say: The weakest spot in the iron trade has been in the billet market, in which middlemen, crowded by the mills to specify, have been offering down to \$16.50 at works for soft steel, to place small quantities. The steel works are holding for \$1 more money. There is still some outside Bessemer offering at prices lower than the furnaces are willing to accept. In the finished iron and steel trades the pressure to sell is increasing, and lower prices are sell is increasing, and lower prices are freely made whenever a good chance is offered to capture business. The only line in which some good work is coming up is in ship plates for lake vessels. Bars and structural material are weaker. During the past week the Southern foundry iron pro-ducers have been losing ground, and concessions of 50 cents from the established prices Provisions suffered from their own are freely made. Furnaces in the cen-hronic ailment— a rush of hogs to the tral West, which produce foundry grades, business away.

NEW YORK, Dec. 4.—Pig iron quiet. Copper easy; brokers' price, 11c; exchange price, 10.75c. Lead firm; brokers' price, 3.20c; exchange price, 3.30c. Tin irregular; straits, 14.10@14.15c; plates weak. Spelter dull; do-mestic, 3.50@3.60c.

ST. LOUIS, Dec. 4.-Lead strong and advancing; sales, 12 cars Missouri at 3.071/2c; chemical, 3.10c bid. Spelter dull and weak;

WILMINGTON, Dec. 4. — Rosin firm; strained, \$1.35; good, \$1.40. Spirits of turpentine firm at 244@25c. Tar steady at 95c. Tupentine steady; hard, \$1.10; soft, \$1.50; OIL CITY. Dec. 4.—Oil opened at \$1.34; highest, \$1.35; lowest, \$1.33; closed at \$1.34. Sales, 7,000 brls; clearances, 44,000 brls; shipments, 62,313 brls; runs, 87,000 brls. NEW YORK, Dec. 4.—Petroleum quiet; United closed at \$1.34\%. Rosin firm. Spirits of turpentine quiet at 27\%@28c.

@1.30. Spirits of turpentine firm at 25c. Butter, Eggs and Cheese. NEW YORK, Dec. 4.-Butter-Receipts, 3,-923 packages; market firm; Western dairy, 1@16c; Western creamery, 15@25c. Cheese Receipts, 2,043 packages; market steady; State, large, 7¼@10c; small, 7¾@10½c; part skims, 3¼@6c; full skims, 2@3c. Eggs—Receipts, 3,632 packages; market steady; State and Pennsylvania, 22@26c; Western, 21@23c. PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 4.—Butter firm and in good demand; fancy Western creamery, 25c. Eggs steady; fresh Western, 22@

CHARLESTON, Dec. 4.—Rosin firm at \$1.25

23c. Cheese unchanged. Cotton.

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 4.-Cotton easy: middling, 81-16e; low middling, 713-16e; good ordinary, 71/2c; net receipts, 14,718 bales; gross receipts, 15,565 bales; exports to the continent, 6,200 bales; coastwise, 3,148 bales; sales, 2,500 bales; stock, 369,828 bales.

MEMSPHIS, Tenn., Dec. 4.—Cotton quiet and off 1-16c; middling, 81/sc; receipts, 4,541 bales; shipments, 2,022 bales; sales, 450 bales; stock, 133,643 bales.

Dry Goods. NEW YORK, Dec. 4.-There was a moderte business doing in all classes of colore and fancy cottons, also dress goods and heavy underwear wants, besides which there were some placing of orders for spring. As a whole, however, the trade was duli,

nal at previous quotations. LIVE STOCK.

Cattle a Shade Lower-Hogs Slightly Lower-Sheep Strong. INDIANAPOLIS, Dec. 4.-Cattle-Receipts, 200; shipments light. There was a more liberal supply of butcher grades than the

demand called for, and prices ruled a shade lower on all grades. Export grades Good to choice shippers..... Common to medium shippers Stockers and feeders Fair to medium helfers ommon thin heifers Good to choice cows..... Fair to medium cows..... lood to choice veals Common to medium veals...... Good to choice bulls ommon to medium bulls good to choice milkers 33.00@40.0 Common to medium milkers 18.00@27.00

Hogs-Receipts, 9,500; shipments, 3,200. The market opened very dull, and was slow from start to finish. Packers and shippers were buying, but were very indifferent. Values ruled steady to a shade lower. The closing was quiet, with a few left over that arrived late. Packing and shipping......\$3,50@3.60 Light 3.45@3.55

Mixed 3.45@3.56

Sheep and Lambs-Receipts, 1,100; shipments, 700. The market ruled active and strong on all decent grades; others were full and slow of sale.

Lambs, good to choice. 3.50@4.00 Lambs, common to medium. 2.50@3.25 Bucks, per head 2.00@4.00 Elsewhere.

CHICAGO, Dec. 4.—After the cattle business was fairly under way sales were moderate at a decline of 10@15c per hundred pounds; strictly choice beeves alone re-maining steady. Sales were on the basis of \$3@3.50 for common rough dressed beef steers, up to \$4.50@4.75 for choice to extra shipping cattle, with the bulk of the trad-ing at \$3.7574.40; not many cattle sold for dressed beef below \$3.50, the cheaper lots being largely taken for feeding purposes at \$2.50@3.50. Exporters were again fair buyers, British cable dispatches reporting sales of the best American cattle in London at 11½c per lb—the same price as a week ago and a year ago. Milkers and springers were plentier and decidedly lower, with slow sales at \$30@40 per head for good to choice. Butchers and canners were moderate buyers, prices ruling 10@15c lower, with sales of cows and bulls largely at \$1.75@2.75. Texas cattle were in only moderate supply and in fair demand at easy prices, steers selling on the basis of \$2.65 @3.40 according to quality. Prices in hogs averaged a higher and there were more at \$2.70 for choice heavy on yesterday, prime light fetching Sales were at an extreme range of \$3,45@ 3.70 as against \$4@4.85 a year ago. \$4.85@5.55 two years ago and \$5.70@6.55 three years ago. Sales were largely at \$3.55@3.65, pigs seling mostly at \$3.25@3.50. Late arrivals of hogs sold on an average a nickle below early sales. Inferior to extra sheep were salable at \$1,50@3,50 and common to choice lambs were wanted at \$3@4.30. Export sheep are

in some demand at \$3.25@3.50. British cable dispatches state that American sheep are selling in London at 11% @12% e per lb against 12c last week and 11@12c a year ago. ST. LOUIS, Dec. 4.—Cattle—Receptis, 7,100; shipments, 1,100; Market weak and 10@20c below Monday, within the range; native export steers, \$4.50@4.75; fair to choice shipping steers, \$3.55@4.40; coarse heavy steers, \$3.50@3.75; dressed beef grades, \$3.00 lbs, \$2.50@3.25; bulk of sales, \$2.75@3; stockers and feeders, \$223.50; bulk of sales, \$2.20

@3.15; cows and heifers, \$1.80@3.35; bulk sales, \$2.10@2.75; canning cows, \$1.25@2; calves, \$1@6; bulls, mostly \$2@2.50; Texas steers, grass, \$2.40@3.35; fed, \$3.25@3.85; cows, \$1.75@2.65; calves, \$5@8. Hogs-Receipts, 12,000; shipments, 800 market steady to 10c lower; heavy, \$3.300 5.50; mixed, \$3.25@3.45; light, \$3.30@3.50 Sheep-Receipts, 1,100; no shipments; market steady to firm; native muttons, \$2.5002 3.50; mixed lots, \$2.7563.25; common stuff. \$1.20@2; lambs, \$3@4; Southern sheep, \$2@3. NEW YORK, Dec. 4.-Beeves-Receipts,

2,179. Market opened active and 10c higher all around; closed with advance lost in steers and oxen; native steers, poor to good, \$3.75@4.50; stags and oxen, \$2@4.40; bulls, \$2@2.85; dry cows \$1.10@2.90 \$2@2.85; dry cows, \$1.10@2.90. ropean cables quote American steers, 90 10%c, dressed weight; refrigerator beef at 7% 69c. Calves-Receipts, 280. Market firm for veals; weak for other calves; yeals, poor to choice, \$5@8.50; barnyards, \$2.75@

Sheep and Lambs-Receipts, 12,439. Market active and slightly firmer. Sheep, poor to good, \$2@3.25; lambs, common to choice, \$3.50@4.65. Hogs-Receipts, 15,081. Market steady at \$3,80@4.15.

KANSAS CITY, Dec. 4 .- Cattle-Receipts. 3,000; shipments, 3,800; market weak and 10c lower. Texas steers ranged at \$2.2563; representative sales, 22 head, 1,370 lbs, \$3; Texas cows, \$1.7562.35; sales, 46 head, 945 lbs, at \$3; beef steers, \$2.85@4.60; sales, 32 head, 1,620 lbs, at \$4.60; native cows, \$1@3.25; stockers and feeders, \$2.40@3.50; bulls, \$1.50@3.80. Hogs—Receipts, 15,000; shipments, 400. Market steady to weak. Bulk of sales, \$3.35@ 3.45; heavies, \$3.30@3.50; packers, \$3.35@3.50; mixed, \$3.30@3.45; lights, \$3.25@3.40; Yorkers, \$3.30@3.40; pigs, \$3.15@3.30.

Sheep and Lambs—Receipts, 2,000; shipments

ments, none. Market strong. Lambs, \$30 4.25; muttons, \$2.25@3.25. BUFFALO, Dec. 4.-Cattle-Receipts only about two cars, but fully a dozen loads were holding over, which included a number of good heavy cattle; market about

Hogs-Receipts, 45 cars; market fairly ac tive; Yorkers, fair to choice, \$3.65@3.70; stags, common to choice, \$2.50@3; pigs, common to fair, \$3.25@3,65. Sheep and Lambs-Receipts, 42 cars; market about steady; lambs, choice to prime, \$4.20@4.30; Canada lambs, fair to prime, \$4.25@4.40; sheep, choice to selected wethers, \$3.50@3.75; culls and common sheep,

LOUIVILLE, Dec. 4.—Cattle—Market dull; light shipping, \$3.50@4; best butchers, \$3.40 @3.75; feeders, \$3@3.40; stockers, \$1.75@3. Hogs-Market irregular; fair to good packing, \$3.55; good to extra light, \$3.45 Sheep and Lambs-Market unchanged.

CINCINNATI, Dec. 4. - Hogs active and strong at \$3@3.60. Receipts, 12,300; shipments, Cattle-Market steady at \$2.25@4.15. Re ceipts, 1,300; shipments, none. Sheep weak at \$1@3.25. Receipts, 1,400; ship ments, 400. Lambs steady at \$2.50@4. EAST LIBERTY, Dec. 4.-Cattle steady, with unchanged prices. Hogs steady; prime light, \$3.75@3.80; medium grades, \$2.25@3.50; heavy, \$3.60@3.70; common to fair, \$3.60@3.65; rough, \$2.75@6.25.

Sheep firm and unchanged.

As to Praying for Ingersoll. To the Editor of the Indianapolis Journal: I see from your dispatches of the day following Thanksgiving that certain Christian people arranged to offer concerted prayers for the conversion to Christianity of Col. R. G. Ingersoll. Now, this action on their part strikes me as out of place, inconsistent with the nature and purposes of prayer, and a source of derogation to Christianity. Those prayers only tend to advertise their object-a fact not to be desired by Christian people, for we should do nothing that will widen the field of operation or in any manner enhance the agencies of opposition to Christianity. Too much of the prominence of infidelity and special agencies of the same lies in the mistaken notions of many Christians that every thing said or done against Christianity should be answered or gotten out of the way in some manner, either natural or supernatural. Now, this is a mistaken notion. Christianity has always had this opposition, from the crucifixion of Christ until the present time; and, as compared with some of the past, the chiefs of opposition to Christianity of to-

day are mere pigmies. Christianity is marching on. All its agencies-the Bible, the ministry, the churches-are eminently successful. It is folly for its agencies to stop and parley in debate or otherwise with its special enemies, or to use the sa cred power of prayer unnecessarily. It is not necessary to the church or Christianity that Colonel Ingersoll or any other special man be converted; and the prominence Christians unnecessarily give to the op-ponents of the Christian faith only tends to puff them up. Solomon said, "Answer a fool according to his folly, lest he be wise in his own conceit." Christ said, more

plainly, "Cast not your pearls before swine, lest they turn and rend you"—which will no doubt be so in this case. It is the Christian's duty to pray for the salvation of the penitent, for personal ene-mies—thus exercising charity; for the ig-norant, for the spread of the truth, and innumerable objects consistent with the pur-poses of prayer. But in the case under consideration none of the above conditions is applicable. When a man reared untler Christian civilization, trained and educated under Christian institutions and in a Christian family, and from which institutions he has received and appropriated every worthy sentiment he has, deliberately chooses to deny all these—this is agnoschooses to deny all these-this is agnos-ticism-and make his denial a living, a profession, a source of applause, prostituting boasted reason, oratory, ridicule, wit and rhetoric to this life business, then Christians have no condition of prayer to meet the case unless there is evidence of repentance, confession and reform. If some one who is ignorant and unlettered, having had few if any advantages, yet betrays a desire to know the truth, not thinking he knows it all—is honest in his sentiments, but yet deceived—one who diverts none of his higher abilities, attained through Christian influences, to purposes of gain and appleage by tickling the poses of gain and applause by tickling the ear of the unthinking with ribaldry, ridicule and rhetoric, then there exists the real conditions of prayer, and for such earnest prayer will be effectual. On the other hand, there is a limit to prayer. If a man is in an evil pursuit, has his stock in trade in hand, so the town.

S. A. FLETCHER & CO., SAFE DEPOSIT is advertising it widely, and, as the town crier, is using all his powers to publish to the world what he has on hand for which he wants a price, then, until he changes from what he is and what he is doing, there is not a condition of prayer. We never think of praying for the devil. He, with a great many people in the world, has defied God, resisted the truth, made capital of their opposition, willfully and knowingly placed themselves where God, in consideration of their intelligence and power o choice, could only "give them over to hardness of heart and unbelief, to believe a lie and be damned." Surely in that case no Christian need pray for them. Christians are mistaken when they think there is need of something special in such cases. Agnosticism was answered near two thouagnosticism was answered near two thousand years ago. There is nothing new in it, and we should not do anything to revive it again by popularizing its votaries of to-day. In each case in all the history of the past it has died with its apostle, only to be resurrected by some one else for a like process. Christianity lives, and needs

no other defense than its living, working, progressive existence of the present day.

M. A. TEAGUE. Pendleton, Ind., Dec. 2. New Cents.

Philadelphia Record. During the past few months the Phila-delphia mint has been turning out pennies at a rate unprecedented in the hitsory of the department. Nine presses with a capacity of \$500 worth of pennies per hour have been busy for weeks past to supply the sudden demand for pennies from all parts of the country. Superintendent Kertz said yesterday: "There seems to be an unusual demand for minor coinage of all sorts, but particularly for pennies. This increased demand is attributable to many causes. In the first place, the recent action of the local traction companies in abolishing free transfers and establishing a more general 8-cent exchange system has called out a greater circulation of pennies. Then again a street railway company in Detroit has reduced its fare from 5 to 3 cents. A big eigar manufacturing firm in New York recently called for \$10,600 worth of pennies, which were delivered a few days ago. There is also an increase in the number of pennies shipped to us to be cleaned. Many of these are found to be defective and we issue new coins in their stead." There is another use to which pennies are being put. Several firms are putting out unique advertising cards with bright pew pennies inserted in them. In one of these cards two pennies represent the wheels of a bicycle.

Not Nice. Detroit Tribune.

The cultivation of hypnotism is about as pleasant and profitable a thing as the cultivation of the morphine habit. It is not cultivation of the morphine habit. It is not very safe to send a ship to sea without a rudder. If the winds and the currents are kind she is safe, but she stands no chance against their opposition. When you subvert the will of self-conscious man by means of drugs or liquers or hypnotic influence, you make him a ship without a rudder, Hypnotism as a pastime is not at all nice.

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